Blue Wars

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Ryokusei Prefectural High Schoo

...I NEED TO TELL ALL OF YOU.

ARE THEY...
To: Ryokusei Judo Club
Mean-while
GODAI SEITOKUKAN KARATE DOJO
BAM
BAM
NKAN
...DIS-BANDING THE CLUB?
...!
ooohhh
PHEW..
That's the flying round-house kick he learned from his father!!
Awesome!!
WOW...

DURING THE SUMMER OF MY SECOND YEAR IN JUNIOR HIGH...
YUURI...
...STILL HASN'T...
MY WISH
...I MET A MYSTERIOUS FLOWER FAIRY WHO TOLD ME HOW TO MAKE MY GREATEST WISH COME TRUE. SINCE THEN, ALMOST TWO YEARS HAVE PASSED.
...COME TRUE YET.
Ha! Thank you for the training!!
RYOU-CHAN.
INTRODUCTION
ARE YOU DONE YET?
How can it end?
POP!!

EVEN THOUGH I'M YOUR OLDER BROTHER, I'M A WEAK-LING AND A QUEER.
WELL...
HAS YOUR PLANT GROWN ANY FRUIT YET?
Hey
RYOU-CHAN.
THAT'S WHY DAD BECAME OBSESSED WITH RAISING YOU AS HIS HEIR INSTEAD.
JEEZ, YUURI YOU ASK ME THAT EVERY DAY.
FOR AS LONG AS I CAN RE-MEMBER..
...WE COME FROM A LONG LINE OF HIGHLY SKILLED MARTIAL ARTISTS.
THE MEN IN OUR FAMILY MUST BE STRONG AND MANLY
WELL... MAYBE EVEN BEFORE THAT...
OUR DAD FITS THIS IDEAL PER-FECTLY AND HE'S VERY FAMOUS
BECAUSE OF ME, YOU'VE HAD TO SUFFER THROUGH HIS HARSH TRAIN-ING SINCE YOU WERE LITTLE.
meemar meemar
Ryousuke! Get up or I'll kill you!!
I'VE BEEN FORCED TO TRAIN AS HARD AS I CAN TO BE THE NEXT HEAD OF THE SERA FAMILY... THERE WERE EVEN TIMES WHEN I CAME CLOSE TO DYING.
YES...
AS MEM-BERS OF THE SERA FAMILY
So afraid that his dad might come after him even if he died that he'd get back up instantly

TO PUT IT SIMPLY...

...YUURI AND I ARE A LOT ALIKE.

WE'RE BOTH GAY.

BUT...

HE ISN'T RECOGNIZED AS A MAN...

...BECAUSE HE DOESN'T LOOK OR ACT LIKE ONE.

Even though he has a penis and doesn't have boobs...

Ahh

But~

YUURI IS AN EXCEP-TION.

Men worship Yuuri and kiss his feet

It's your birthday? May I take you out to dinner?

Let me carry those bags for you

Going shopping? Allow me to escort you

Seiri Main

Seiri Main

Seiri Main

Seiri Main

Given special treatment by the men in the family

BECAUSE OF THIS...

YUURI FEELS GUILTY.

THE TRUTH IS_.

I'd like to say hello to all the readers who have been following my works since *Tokyo Crazy Paradise*. I'd also like to greet those who are just getting to know me through my latest work, *Blue Wars*. My name is Nakamura. It's nice to see that *Blue Wars* is finally being published since I've secretly (?) been working so hard on it...

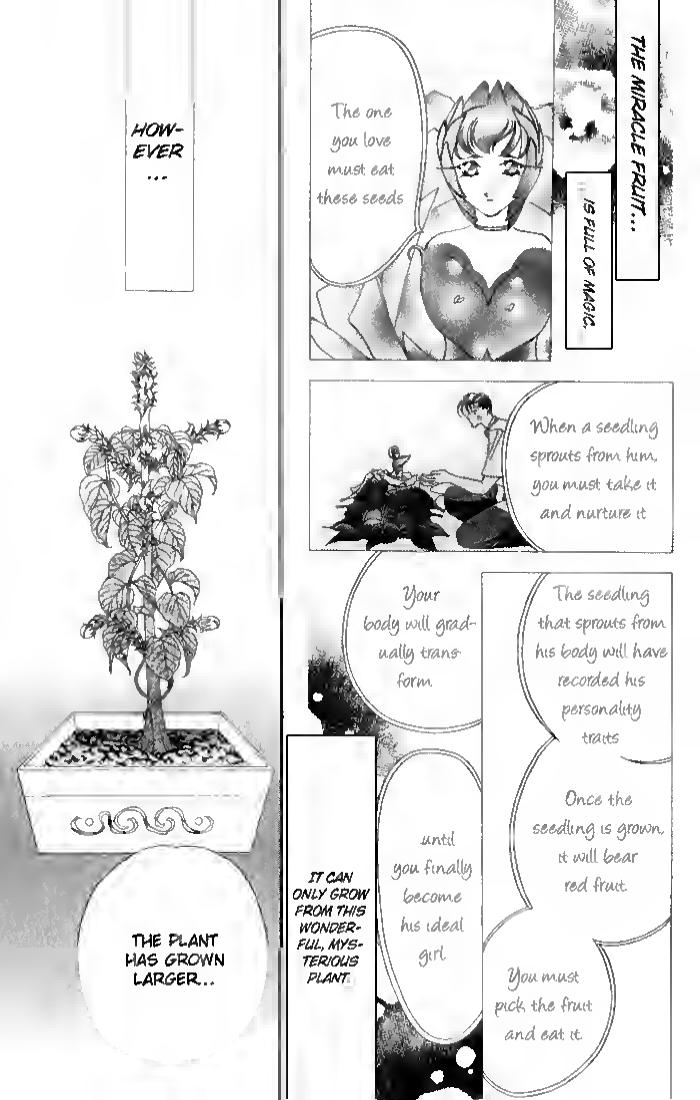
I'm happy but still afraid... This is probably because I'm letting the storyline (it's such a pain to write out the title so I'm just gonna refer to it as *BW* from now on) move at its own pace...

It all started when I first decided to write the series. I argued with my editor about it since it's about what the general public refers to as homosexuals... On top of that, I drew the main characters like this... I broke the main rule in shounen-ai manga which is to make the hero bewitching and beautiful... It's really no surprise that my editor was opposed to my idea... However, I just wanted to write a story about a boy who is pressured to be a man when he'd rather be a girl. So he has to struggle with his body which becomes more muscular every day against his wishes...

I was determined to do it my way even though it caused a dispute with my editor...

His favorite hobby: gardening
I'm in heaven
Oh, you're so pretty
THOUGH HE DOESN'T LOOK IT, RYOU-CHAN IS ACTUALLY QUITE GIRLY FOR EXAMPLE, HE LOVES FLOWERS
THAT'S NOT ALL!
I'm so excited
Expert at baking sweets
HE ENJOYS COOKING.
...even in the summer
I knit
HE LIKES KNITTING
He's even had people buy them in the past. He trades them sometimes.
He makes his own stuffed animals etc.
AND HE FINDS JOY IN SEWING
I REALLY BELIEVE HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN BORN AS A GIRL!!
I can't cook, knit or even sew!
I'm not interested in flowers.
HE'S FAR MORE FEMININE THAN I AM!

...
YEAH, SHE'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU.
I can't see her.
RYOU-CHAN, IS THERE REALLY A FAIRY HERE?
SO,
PLEASE TURN RYOU-CHAN INTO A GIRL VERY SOON!!
THIS IS THE FLOWER FAIRY WHO TOLD ME THAT SHE COULD MAKE MY WISH COME TRUE. IF YOU ASK ME, SHE'S RIGHT UP THERE WITH THE ANGELS, GOD, AND BUDDHA.
It's really strange
REAL-LY...?
You've been tending the plant so lovingly that the miracle fruit should have appeared by now.
Yes, I am!
Hey
ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?!


THE MIRACLE FRUIT...
IS FULL OF MAGIC.
The one you love must eat these seeds
When a seedling sprouts from him, you must take it and nurture it
Your body will gradually transform
The seedling that sprouts from his body will have recorded his personality traits
Once the seedling is grown, it will bear red fruit.
until you finally become his ideal girl
You must pick the fruit and eat it.
IT CAN ONLY GROW FROM THIS WONDERFUL, MYSTERIOUS PLANT.
HOWEVER...
THE PLANT HAS GROWN LARGER...

RYOU-CHAN,
YOU EVEN SECRETLY MADE 2000 GUNMA DOLLS AS GOOD-LUCK CHARMS TO HELP THE PLANT GROW FASTER.
YEAH,
I HAD TO HIDE FROM DAD IN ORDER TO MAKE THEM.
Ha ha ha
So fun!
BWAH

This is terrible
...BUT THERE'S STILL NO FRUIT.
Hmm... Hmm...
The fruit should grow out of this husk

GUNMA ...
open
...I WANT TO BECOME A GIRL.
HE'S THE REA-SON...
I LOVE HIM SO MUCH..
Schu*
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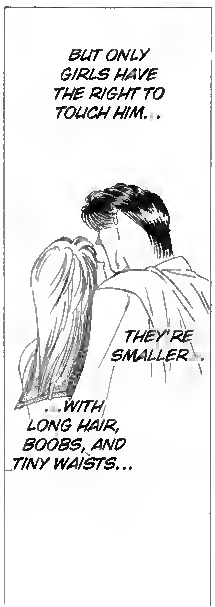

BUT ONLY GIRLS HAVE THE RIGHT TO TOUCH HIM..
THEY'RE SMALLER...
...WITH LONG HAIR, BOOBS, AND TINY WAISTS...

AH!
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?
HUH?!
UH...
DADDY.
DAD!!
OH!
I...
OR EVEN...
JUST BECAUSE
...I'M A GUY...
...DIDN'T CHOOSE TO HAVE THIS KIND OF BODY..
...CONFESS MY FEELINGS TO HIM
...I'M NOT ALLOWED TO BE IN LOVE WITH HIM
...I MADE THIS WISH. ♡
I want to become Gunma's dream girl! Together we'll burn brightly with the flame of love!!
WHEN I REALIZED THAT I COULD NEVER BE WITH GUNMA, I COULDN'T STAND IT ANYMORE,
SO...
Gunma!
Seems to be the favorite of his 2000 dolls

I'M GOING TO FIX THAT DESPICABLE PERSONALITY OF YOURS RIGHT NOW!!
YOU'RE A DISGRACE TO THE SERA FAMILY!!
WAHHH!
ALGH!!
sfx : blak punch beats up
GLARE
I THOUGHT YOU HAD QUIT PLAYING WITH FLOWERS!
Ahh
Ahh
Gasp
Gasp
Gasp

NO!
SIX WHOOSH
Eep!
...BEHIND MY BACK !!
STOP, DADDY!
Brush
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
RYOU-CHAN...
chatter
chatter
chatter
Morning
Morning

HOW DARE YOU?! WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT THAT PLANT?!
BUT IT ONLY MADE HIM MORE ENRAGED.
sfx: punch x4
Earlier
I BLOCKED DAD'S PUNCH WITH MY BODY.
WHACK
Ugh!

Please stop! Ryuu-chan is innocent!
NO, DADDY! THE DOLL AND PLANT ARE MINE! I GAVE THEM TO HIM!
YUURI SAVED ME BY TELLING DAD A LIE.

GRIN
WELL YOU GAVE THEM TO HIM, SO I GUESS IT'S OKAY
But this is the only time I'm going to let him off the hook.
Already dead
Darn it!
My precious.
Oh, why didn't you say so earlier?
THAT CALMED HIM DOWN.

I HAVE TO SAY THAT I REALLY ADMIRE YOU. YOU SACRIFICED YOUR BODY TO PROTECT THE MIRACLE FRUIT.
Even though it hasn't grown yet...
Hang in there, Ryousuke-kun
ROLL ROLL ROLL
Shake shake
Duty

I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT.
I'll leave it in the Gardening Club's locker room.
I'LL KEEP IT WITH ME UNTIL I FIND A SAFE PLACE FOR IT.
IF HE KILLS IT BEFORE THE MIRACLE FRUIT GROWS, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO BECOME A GIRL
ROLL ROLL ROLL

You know how he is...
THAT'S WHAT DAD SAID, BUT ...
HE'LL DESTROY THE PLANT WHILE I'M GONE AND THEN CLAIM THAT IT WAS AN ACCIDENT.

I don't think it'll be long before Dad finds that safe.
He's so kind
...
RYOU-CHAN.
Hmm?
...
THAT DOESN'T EVEN MATTER RIGHT NOW.
SQUEAK
IT'D BE SO TERRIBLE IF DAD WERE TO KILL YOU.
THE POOR THING... TO THINK THAT IT GREW THIS BIG IN THE DARK OUT OF DAD'S SIGHT.
A safe he built
RYOUSUKE?! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
PLEASE, YUURI! TAKE ME AWAY!
IT'S GUNMA-CHAN! HE'S COMING THIS WAY!
I DON'T WANT HIM TO SEE MY HIDEOUS FACE!
WHAT?!
HUH?
Oh!
Ryousuke-kun!
It's your sweet-heart!

GUNMA!!
Yo!
Power of Love
SLUMBER
THIS IS NITOU GUNMA.
WHAT'S THAT HAND TRUCK FOR?
Are you taking it for some thing?
MY ONE AND ONLY LOVE!!
Ryousuke's new
glitter
glitter
glitter
Oh!
I see!

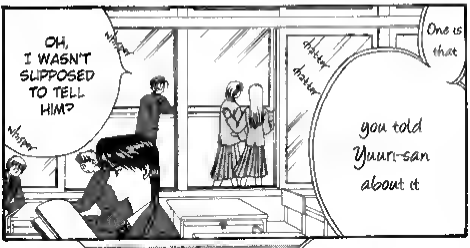
The second thing I decided was to include a little fantasy in the story by creating a fairy with the power to grant miracles. I knew the readers would think her character was silly, but her existence was necessary.

I wanted to write about a beast-like boy who had to live under his father's stern rules. Since his prospects for undergoing a sex change were unrealistic, he had to be given the chance to change his life. I did my best to show his pathetic efforts in trying to obtain his wish... Similarly to the story *The Little Mermaid*, I wanted to show that things don't always go as planned. With her things turned out differently even after she was given the chance to become human. This story would have been very depressing if I had written it differently, but Kyousuke's personality somehow helps to give it humor.

The third thing is probably the book covers. Since my intention was to make the main character look more feminine with each book cover, I drew the cover for volume one thinking I needed to show Kyousuke's masculinity which he has a complex about. But when I saw the completed cover, I screamed.

Flowers are Flying

The flowers are flying, but with that fiery background, the cover came out looking different from what I had imagined... (I know I was the one who drew it, but I really didn't expect it to be such a bold-looking cover...) With a title like *Blue Wars* and the picture I drew, it really makes you think that this manga is about war.



I SEE! THAT'S POSSIBLE!
OH!
Perhaps the seeds didn't record enough data about Gunma-kun's dead girl when he swallowed them
SMACK
So
...REALLY POSSIBLE?
Is that-
Maybe...
The plant loses some of its magic if other people know about it
I think...
there is another possibility...
Well
Ugh...
Take this seed,
and have Gunma-kun swallow it
ARE YOU SAYING THAT I HAVE TO DO THIS ALL OVER AGAIN?!
This is a seed that will record all the data you need
No, no
Secretions!
How can you ask me that so casually?! I can't!
Can you also get some kind of secretion from Gunma-kun's body?
And
We need to add that data to the plant
For a moment there, I got really excited.
wassle
Jeez!
Huh? What's wrong?
I meant something like a sweat drop or a saunatope
Hmmm
Hmmm

WHAT'S GOING ON? IT SOUNDS SERIOUS.
BUT...
PLEASE, NITOU-KUN.
...
I CAN'T.
What! Does she want it from my Gunma?
Who the hell is that girl?!
Who ?
Do you understand?
Gunma-kun has to swallow that seed We need to make sure that we have all of the data this time!!
OKAY, OKAY
Huh?

ON TOP OF THAT, YOU'VE NEVER LOST A FIGHT!!
YOU'RE VERY STRONG.
THAT DOESN'T MATTER.
I'M SORRY I WANT TO HELP YOU BECAUSE I'M IN DEBT TO KASHIMA-SENPAI FROM WHEN I WAS IN JUNIOR HIGH
!!
BUT DOES THAT APPLY TO MARTIAL ARTS?
I MAY BE GOOD AT FIST-FIGHTING,
BESIDES, I'M JUST A BEGINNER.
I'M ALREADY IN THE GARDENING CLUB
CAN'T WE WORK AROUND THAT?!
WE CAN ONLY JOIN ONE CLUB IN OUR HIGH SCHOOL

YOU SEE... I HAVE A PART-TIME JOB IN THE EVENING, TOO, SO I'M REALLY BUSY...
OH,
EVEN IF I WERE TO TRANSFER TO YOUR CLUB I DON'T THINK I'D BE OF MUCH HELP TO YOU.
...?
ISN'T THE JUDO CLUB'S PRACTICE MATCH THIS SATURDAY?
!!

*Curry roux is used to make Japanese style curry. It usually comes in ready-made blocks that consist of mixed spices, fats, and other seasonings.

NO.
Pull!
BUT
HEY!
PLEASE, WILL YOU JOIN THE JUDO CLUB?!
Now!
DAHAAH
No! Watch
...WILL BE DISBANDED!
I DON'T WANNA!
WE HAVE TO WIN THE PRACTICE MATCH THIS SATURDAY OR ELSE THE CLUB...
SCOOT
AH!
I DON'T WANNA...
SIGH
PLEASE, WE NEED TO HAVE AT LEAST FIVE MEMBERS IN OUR CLUB
At this rate, we won't even have enough people for the match!
I NEED TO GET MORE PEOPLE TO JOIN!
I DOUBT THAT HE'LL CHANGE HIS MIND
HE'S...
...BEEN FORCED TO PRACTICE MARTIAL ARTS SINCE HE WAS A KID
AND HE'S BEEN THROUGH A LOT AS A RESULT..

I'D GIVE ANYTHING TO GET RID OF MY MUSCLES AND HAVE A SEXY HOURGLASS FIGURE!
YOU GOT THAT RIGHT!
HE WON'T WANT TO COME TO SCHOOL
IF IT MEANS THAT HE HAS TO PRACTICE HERE AS WELL
SCHOOL IS MY ONLY ASYLUM
WHY WOULD I COME TO SCHOOL JUST TO PRACTICE MORE MARTIAL ARTS AND GET EVEN STRONGER?
IT'S MY SANCTUARY!!
glitter
glitter
I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT
ACK!
He heard me?!
Grunnnn
I DON'T WANNA FIGHT!!
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE STRESS ALL BY YOURSELF. I WOULD HAVE LISTENED TO YOU.
DO YOU FEEL BETTER NOW?
He must be used to keeping his feelings inside.
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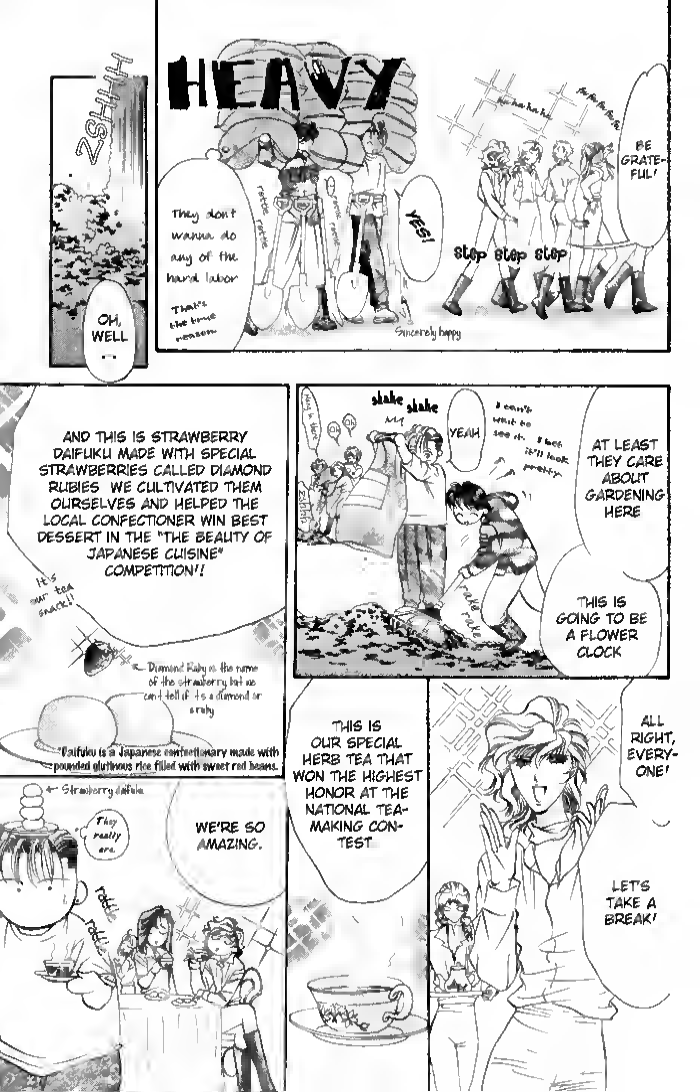
WHEN I'M HERE, THESE GUYS HELP ME GET RID OF ALL MY STRESS
Ha ha ha ha
Me, too
Oh
YEAH
Ha ha ha ha
His dad doesn't know about the Gardening Club
NO WAY! I CAN'T COMPLAIN TO GUNMA!
Ha ha ha
YEAH, I'M FINE.
I want him to think that I'm a great guy!
Yeah
I AGREE.
mesmerized
RYOKUSEI HIGH IS FULL OF GREENERY JUST LIKE ITS NAME *
IT'S SUCH A GREAT PLACE
relaxed
*Ryoku means "green"
POSE
IT'S ALL DUE TO...
...THE GARDENING CLUB'S HARD WORK!!
IN OTHER WORDS
FLASH
flx started

IT'S ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF US!!
THE STUDENT COUNCIL!!
Student Council President: Hanazono Rei
WE TOILED AWAY IN THE MUD WITH OUR OWN SWEAT AND BLOOD,
AND BROUGHT THESE BEAUTIFUL PLANTS TO LIFE.
THIS IS...
I WONDER...
Are the seniors in this club normal in any way?
Sorry
...ALL THE PROOF YOU NEED!
Ah
NORMALLY, WE DON'T ALLOW NEW MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY'RE NOT AS BEAUTIFUL AS US.
HOWEVER, WE CHANGED THE POLICY THIS YEAR SINCE WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE CLUB
THAT IS THE ONLY REASON YOU TWO WERE ACCEPTED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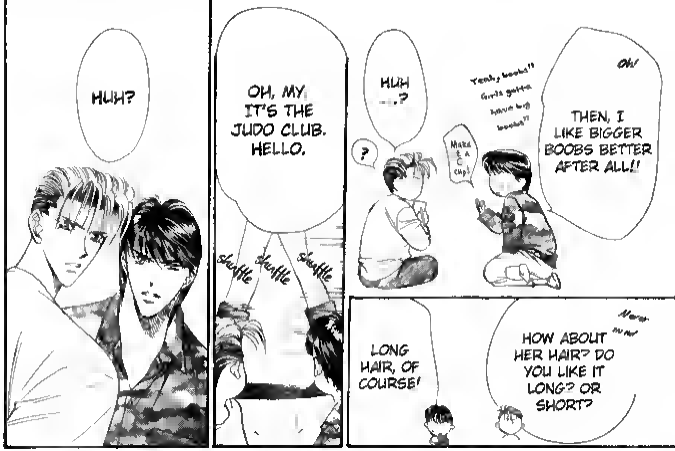
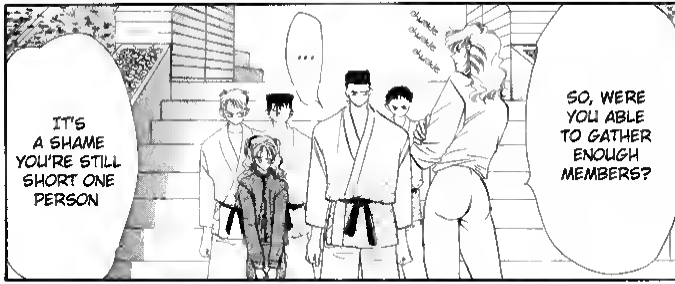
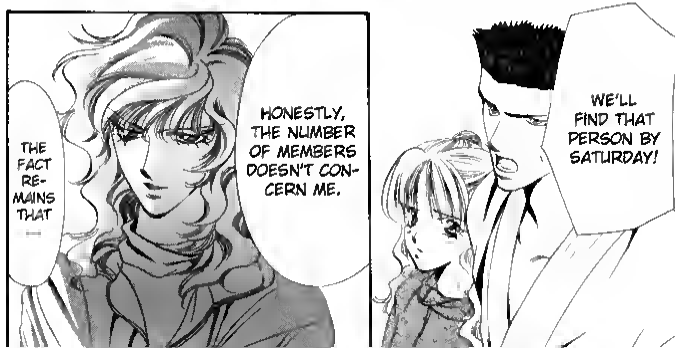
HEAVY
They don't wanna do any of the hard labor
That's the true reason
OH, WELL...
YES!
Sincerely happy
Ha-ha-ha-ha
BE GRATEFUL!
Step step step
AND THIS IS STRAWBERRY DAIFUKU MADE WITH SPECIAL STRAWBERRIES CALLED DIAMOND RUBIES. WE CULTIVATED THEM OURSELVES AND HELPED THE LOCAL CONFECTIONER WIN BEST DESSERT IN THE "THE BEAUTY OF JAPANESE CUISINE" COMPETITION!!
It's our tea snacks!!
← Diamond Ruby is the name of the strawberry but we can't tell if it's a diamond or a ruby
*Daifuku is a Japanese confectionary made with pounded glutinous rice filled with sweet red beans.
shake shake
YEAH
I can't wait to see it. I bet it'll look pretty.
AT LEAST THEY CARE ABOUT GARDENING HERE
THIS IS GOING TO BE A FLOWER CLOCK
THIS IS OUR SPECIAL HERB TEA THAT WON THE HIGHEST HONOR AT THE NATIONAL TEA-MAKING CONTEST
ALL RIGHT, EVERYONE!
LET'S TAKE A BREAK!
← Strawberry daifuku
They really are.
WE'RE SO AMAZING.

HMM?
GUN-MA
I'll stick it in the strawberry daifuku
I know!
The seed!
Oh...
munch munch
Great! He ate it!!
Boom!
nibble nibble
Think, think
THE PERFECT GIRL, HUH?
Hmmm...
Think Think
Uh
Huh
WELL!
Where did that come from?
Startled
WHY ARE YOU ASKING?
SOME-ONE TOLD ME TO ASK YOU!
As a favor!
W-WELL, I KNOW THIS IS KIND OF RANDOM, BUT...
THUMP THUMP
THUMP THUMP THUMP
THUMP
I think...
SHE'D BE ORDINARY.
I'VE NEVER REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT IT BEFORE..
Freak out...
WHAT THE HECK DOES ORDINARY MEAN? THAT DOESN'T HELP! I NEED DETAILS!! COME ON! TELL ME EVERYTHING!!
WHAT'S YOUR IDEA OF THE PERFECT GIRL?

LET'S START WITH THE MEASUREMENTS.
All right. Go ahead.
...
sfx: tic x 12
Slender?
Hmm! Hmm!
Are these normal measurements!
WHAT ABOUT HER BOOBS?
I'D WANT HER TO BE SLENDER...
Well... One minute later
Sl...
HER WAIST SHOULD BE ABOUT 55-60 CM...
sfx: tic x 18
Two minutes later
WHY? WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? YOU'RE ACTING LIKE IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH. YOU'RE SCARING ME...
JUST THINK!!
I want a full description now! Right now! Please!
ANXIOUS
It's an important matter
OKAY...
I'll try.
I just assumed that was true since I've never been interested in girls!!
What a shocker!
OH..
I THOUGHT THAT MOST GUYS LIKE GIRLS WITH BIGGER BOOBS
HUH?
I see. So Gun-no likes flat-chested girls
stunned
WHAT?!
WHAT?!
HUH?
I guess...
AN A-CUP?


HUH?
OH, MY. IT'S THE JUDO CLUB. HELLO.
shuffle
shuffle
shuffle
HUH ...?
?
Yeah, boobs!! Girls gotta have big boobs!!
Mutter & A Chip!
Oh!
THEN, I LIKE BIGGER BOOBS BETTER AFTER ALL!
LONG HAIR, OF COURSE!
Nurse. Nurse.
HOW ABOUT HER HAIR? DO YOU LIKE IT LONG? OR SHORT?


IT'S A SHAME YOU'RE STILL SHORT ONE PERSON
...
shuffle shuffle shuffle
SO, WERE YOU ABLE TO GATHER ENOUGH MEMBERS?


THE FACT RE-MAINS THAT ...
HONESTLY, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS DOESN'T CON-CERN ME.
WE'LL FIND THAT PERSON BY SATURDAY!

WE IN THE GARDENING CLUB HAVE CONTINUALLY PROVEN OUR MERIT!
YOU'VE FAILED TO ACHIEVE ANY STATUS OR FAME AND YOU'RE A DISGRACE TO THE SCHOOL!
WE'RE TIRED OF WATCHING YOU LOSE!
...EVERY YEAR YOU GET ELIMINATED IN THE FIRST ROUND OF COMPETITION!
twitch
...
IF YOU CAN'T FIND ENOUGH PEOPLE BY TOMORROW, THEN I'LL DISBAND YOUR CLUB AND SHUT DOWN THE DOJO!!
HEY!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT!!
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU PROMISED!!
YOU SAID YOU'D WAIT UNTIL SATURDAY!!
OH?
YOU'RE KASHIMA-SAN, RIGHT? THE MANAGER OF THE JUDO CLUB?

I THINK HE REALLY WANTED TO...
Please! At least give us until this Saturday!
I WANT TO HELP YOU BECAUSE I'M IN DEBT TO KASHIMA-SENPAI FROM WHEN I WAS IN JUNIOR HIGH...
I'M SORRY.
...HELP THAT GIRL...
GUNMA...
ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU'LL WORK A MIRACLE BY SATURDAY?
YOU THINK THAT SOMEHOW YOU'LL FIND A WAY TO WIN BY RECRUITING MORE MEMBERS?
...!!
KASHIMA...?
That name sounds familiar
YOU SEE. I HAVE A PART-TIME JOB IN THE EVENING, TOO, SO I'M REALLY BUSY.
I CAN'T...
PLEASE, NITOU-KUN.
Gunma
BUT...

ALL RIGHT.
IF YOU INSIST, I'LL GIVE YOU UNTIL THIS SATURDAY.
HOW-EVER,
THERE WILL BE NO MATCH ANYWAY IF YOU DON'T RECRUIT ENOUGH MEMBERS BY THEN!
Step
YOUR CLUB WILL BE DIS-BANDED IM-MEDIATELY!
...
GOOD LUCK FINDING PEOPLE!
YOU'LL HAVE TO DEFEAT SEIKYOU HIGH SCHOOL'S JUDO CLUB, THE NATIONAL CHAM-PIONS!!
ha ha ha
GUNMA...
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The next day
thump thump thump
sfx: WA
THIS IS—!!
WHAT'S THIS?!
Queen Angel wing
THIS DIGNIFIED BLOOM IS AS GREAT AS THE QUEEN OF THE WILD ORCHID SHOW! THE BRASSOLAELIOCATTLEYA KNOWN AS ANGEL WING!!
Look what I found
OH, OH..!
thump thump thump
Weed with no name
IT'S TINY AND IT'S GROWING FROM A WEED, BUT...
WHAT A PRETTY FLOWER!!
Tremble Tremble

Startled
WAHHH!
SEN-PAI!
Now let's take you to a safer place.
YOU CAN'T STAY HERE
YOU'LL GET TRAMPLED BY SOME RUDE AND INCONSIDERATE STRANGER.
Oh
I'M SORRY
RYOU-SUKE TRANS-FERRED TO THE JUDO CLUB?!
WHY?!
I HAVE NO IDEA!
HE WOULDN'T GIVE ME THE REA-SON!
...
...
WHAT ...?
MAY I SPEAK WITH YOU?
HUH?

turn
EVEN IF HE JOINS THAT CLUB, THEY'LL ONLY BE AROUND FOR FIVE MORE DAYS.
HE'LL BE BACK IN NO TIME.
It's a shame to lose his strength and his love for plants
SERA-KUN IS A VALUABLE MEMBER OF OUR CLUB.
...
ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT, CHAIRMAN?
JUDO DOJO
AND SO...
...PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER!
Mr.
I HAVE SOME EXPERIENCE IN JUDO
THIS IS SERA RYOU-SUKE-KUN!!
WAHHH!
clap clap clap clap
Yay! A new member!
Yay! A new member!
WE HAVE A FULL TEAM NOW.

THANK YOU, SERA-KUN!
You're like a light at the end of a tunnel!
HUH?
NOW WE HAVE A CHANCE THIS SATUR-DAY!
drip drip
drip drip
...
YOU'RE THAT HAPPY ABOUT IT?
I don't get it. I don't see what's so great about martial arts.
BECAUSE...
..WE LOVE PRACTICING JUDO.
EVEN THOUGH WE KNOW THAT WE CAN'T DEFEAT A SUPERIOR OPPONENT,
WE DON'T WANT TO GIVE UP.
DON'T WANT TO GIVE UP ...?

EVERYONE HERE FEELS
...THE SAME WAY...
...I DO.
BECAUSE WE LOVE PRACTICING JUDO...
All right, everyone! Let's start practicing!
I SEE...
"EVEN THOUGH ..
...WE KNOW THAT WE CAN'T DEFEAT ..
...A SUPERIOR OPPONENT..."

WHOOSH
Bingo!
It must have something to do with Gunma-kun...
Ryousuke-kun wouldn't do this without a good reason.
WHY, RYOU-CHAN? WHAT HAPPENED?
worried
RYOU-CHAN...
sneak
...
worried
WHY DID YOU JOIN THE JUDO CLUB?

RYOU-SUKE!!
I knew it

BAM BAM
WHAT'S GOING ON?
...
YOU TOLD ME YOU WEREN'T GOING TO JOIN...
WHY DID YOU SUDDENLY CHANGE YOUR MIND?
...
YOU
SEEMED TO—
Who? Me?
A TOP?
...!
NO..
Doesn't want to tell Gunma that he's the reason...
So he rephrases it.
I HAVE A FRIEND—.
...WHO SEEMED TROUBLED ABOUT THE JUDO CLUB AND I COULDN'T STAND NOT DOING ANYTHING, SO...
YOU REALLY WANT TO HELP THAT GIRL,
YEAH...
DON'T YOU?
HUH...?
BUT FOR SOME REASON YOU CAN'T
YOU SEEMED SAD ABOUT NOT BEING ABLE TO HELP HER, SO...
WHAT...?

"Ryousuke was about to say the word koisuru which means "to be troubled". However he stopped midway and Gunma misunderstood it as koisuru or a "toy".

IS THAT ALL?
HUH?
IS THAT YOUR ONLY REASON?
YOU DID IT ALL FOR...
YOU JOINED THE JUDO CLUB EVEN THOUGH YOU HATE MARTIAL ARTS JUST BECAUSE OF THAT?!
chuckle
BUT YOU WERE TOTALLY AGAINST IT!
YOU EVEN QUIT THE GARDENING CLUB!!
...ME?!

WHY?
It's all right..
scoot
scoot
scoot
scoot
scoot
HOW COULD YOU ..
DECIDE TO DO SOME-THING LIKE THAT

...WITHOUT EVEN THINKING?!
BAM
AND ALL FOR MY SAKE...
BAM
YOU WEREN'T THINKING OF YOURSELF AT ALL...
SIGH
tap tap
Ichi Nidaime
...
AIEEE!
PLEASE CALM DOWN!!
I'M GOING TO SAY THIS AGAIN..
THE JUDO CLUB...
I'VE ONLY BEEN DOING WHAT'S CONVENIENT FOR ME...
AIEEE!
...WILL ONLY BE AROUND FOR A FEW MORE DAYS!
SO, NOW I...

WAHHH
WE HAVE ANOTHER NEW MEMBER! THIS IS NITOU GUNMA-KUN!
clap clap
Another member
I can only stay until 5:30, though. Nice to meet you.
AIEEE!♡
...FEEL BAD..
I DON'T KNOW IF I'LL BE OF MUCH HELP TO YOU...
Well
bow
Uh...
HELLO ...
Thank you.
WHY?
I CAN'T LET YOU...
Grr
...WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME TOGETHER.
Oh? Like this?
Yeah.
I can touch him all I want.
BAM!
BAM BAM
...FOR FOUR DAYS STRAIGHT...
Ahhh! I'm touching Gunma!
One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine!
SO...
...GO THROUGH THIS ALONE!

Oh
...BEING WITH HIM...
PURR PURR PURR
IT WAS SO WONDERFUL ...
Just check out this position!
Ah, Gin!
UP'ER FOUR QUARTERS HOLD
I think I'm hyperventilating
BUT GUNMA HAPPENED TO BE NEXT TO ME AND I HIT HIM IN THE FACE
Oh, no! Gunma!
I ACTUALLY POKED HIM IN THE EYE
I WAS SWINGING MY ARMS.
I ACCIDENTALLY MADE GUNMA CRY DURING PRACTICE.
One.
WHOOSH
WHACK
...AND STRETCHING DURING PRACTICE...
I thought that maybe you'd forgotten about it
So you finally got a teardrop from Gunma-kun
Ha ha ha Gee? How's it going?
That was close. I got so caught up in my newfound happiness that I really did almost forget about it
WELL ...
The box!
I'M LUCKY HE DIDN'T GET SERIOUSLY HURT.
It must have been scary. I'm sorry, Gunma!
THERE WAS A TEARDROP ...
Thought of collecting a teardrop pretty quickly there, eh?
Quick, the box!

...
Well,
pause
?
I have to burst your bubble, but I don't think it's going to happen anytime soon.
Make sure!!
OKAY!
oh.
Okay, okay.
I got the story. Now hurry up and add that teardrop!
slowly
OKAY!!
Make sure it touches the plant, okay?
slide
drop
What?!
You can't transform into a girl now!
What about the match tomorrow?
Aren't you competing?
Oh,
you're right.
Carefully
I bet the fruit will appear by the time the match is over tomorrow!
Oh,
Hehe
Well, I'm not sure about that...
Oh.
I-I mean, I guess so.
It will definitely happen.
At least, I hope so...
Nervous
...
Now we just have to wait for the miracle fruit to grow!
All right!
excited
excited
excited
excited
YEAH!

The day of the match
Saturday
Sigh
Chirp chirp
Chirp chirp
THIS IS IT, GUYS.
HANA-ZONO!!
DO YOUR BEST SO YOU'LL HAVE NO REGRETS!
I will see this through
ha ha ha ha ha
WE KNOW THAT.
clench
...WE'RE NOT THAT STRONG, BUT...
WE'VE BEEN PRACTICING EVERY DAY!
WE'LL DEFEAT THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS OR DIE TRYING!
SAY GOODBYE TO THE JUDO CLUB.
Startled
Jolt
CHUCKLE
ARGH!
waa ha ha ha ha

CAPTAIN! ISHIDA CAN'T MAKE IT! HE WAS IN A CAR ACCI-DENT!
I don't believe it!
NOOO!!!
AIEEE!
THUMP THUD THUD
AW/AW/AW
It's all over! We're doomed!
SENPAI
!
I'LL GO FIRST.
You can see me as a use-
GUN-MA..
NITOU-KUN!

BUT YOUR OPPONENT IS A HIGH-SCHOOL JUDO CHAMPION!!
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO HAVE A BE-GINNER LIKE YOU GO FIRST!
Shaky shaky
Just 1 st threw!
squirt squirt
Shaky

BUT ISN'T IT BETTER NOT TO FOR-FEIT THE MATCH?
I don't know about this
NITOU-KUN...
HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TELL THAT I'M A BE-GINNER
HE'LL GO EASY ON ME

Rei means "law."
REI.*
He doesn't look that strong
What the hell? Is this guy a total beginner?
PANT
PANT
Bastards— Why do we, the reigning champions, have to fight beginners like him?
GUNMA! IF HE TOSSES YOU, MAKE SURE YOU BRACE YOURSELF FOR THE FALL!
WAIT!
WAIT!
FIRST CONTENDERS, PLEASE COME FORWARD
GUN-MA...
NITOU-KUN...
LET'S BEGIN THE MATCH
Yeah, I'll try
WHA—?
GRAB YANK
HA-JIME!!*
HUH?
"Hajime means "go""

sfx: BAM
GAH!!
Gu...
BUT...
WE JUST NEED TO WIN LET THEM DO WHATEVER THEY WANT.
He has a point 5 on You shouldn't move him
Hey, calm down
No! Don't! If Hong ...n there!
Gulp!
Gulp!
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE, KEN-CHAN! HE'S JUST A BEGIN-NER! PLEASE GO EASY ON HIM!
He's an important member of the Gardening Club!
Childhood Friends
WHY SHOULD I CARE? THE GUYS ARE PISSED THAT THEY'VE BEEN DRAGGED INTO THIS SILLY MATCH
LET'S FINISH THIS QUICKLY AND GO HOME
GLARE
Step
Step
...!
AUGH!!!
GUNMA!
IPPON*
HUMPH
*Ippon means a "full point"

HOLD IT, RIGHT THERE!!!
YOU ...
WHY DIDN'T YOU GO EASY ON HIM?!
YOU KNEW HE WAS A BEGINNER!
WHY...
...DID YOU THROW HIM WITH FULL FORCE?!
He can't possibly brace himself for that kind of fall!
You threw him with all your might!
Yeah
OH? THAT'S FUNNY.
Snort Snort
Giggle Giggle
WHY SHOULD WE ANSWER TO NO-NAMES LIKE YOU?
WE'RE ONLY PARTICIPATING IN THIS MATCH AS A FAVOR
So, what's your problem?
WE DIDN'T EXPECT TO BE CRITICIZED BY YOU.
SO ...
YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL TO US
Shame
...
Bastard
YOU ARE SAYING THAT ...

HEY, YOU ...
WHAT DO YOU WANT?!
HUH?
I SEE...
...IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOUR OPPONENT IS WEAKER THAN YOU...
YOU CAN'T HOPE TO REACH OUR LEVEL
HAVE YOU EVER PRACTICED KARATE BEFORE?
OF COURSE NOT!
SO, YOU'RE A BEGINNER. THAT'S GREAT.
HUH?
SWOOP
RIP RIP
PUT YOUR HANDS TOGETHER!
WHOOSH
AGH!
HUH?!
SMACK
SMACK
?!
WHAP
WHA—?! HE'S SO FAST!!

sfx : FLU
NOW PRAY !!
sfx : WHAM
I-IS THAT...
...KARATE?!
WHAP
!!
ACK!
sfx : THUD
sfx : slip thud thud thud thud thud

THEY'RE TRYING THEIR BEST...
THEY'RE WORKING HARD IN THEIR OWN WAY
BUT...
...WHAT DOES THAT MATTER?
WHAT YOU SAY...
...MAY BE TRUE.
THE JUDO CLUB MAY SEEM WORTHLESS TO YOU...
IF THEY KEEP TRYING...
...BECAUSE THEY LOVE WHAT THEY DO...
twitch
...PERHAPS THEY'LL ACHIEVE SOMETHING
...AND THEY DON'T WANT TO GIVE UP
OH...
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I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'LL EVER BE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS, BUT EVEN WITHOUT FAME OR STATUS...
I MIGHT NOT HAVE MUCH TO OFFER, BUT...
...THEIR ENTHUSIASM FOR JUDO ..
...MY LOVE FOR GUNMA ..
...IS FAR MORE SINCERE AND BEAUTIFUL THAN YOU!!
.. IS ALL THAT I NEED!!
...
"IT'S TINY, AND IT'S GROWING FROM A WEED, BUT..
THIS DIGNIFIED BLOOM IS AS GREAT AS THE QUEEN OF THE WILD ORCHID SHOW! THE BRASSOLAELIO-CATTLEYA KNOWN AS ANGEL WING!!"
SHOOK
I SEE...

PLEASE GRANT MY REQUEST.
...
AND PULL OUT OF THIS MATCH.
I WAS A FOOL.
I'M SORRY, BUT...
Oh
YES?
startled
KEN-CHAN ...
I'VE BEEN...
...SUCH A FOOL.
HUH?
HERE'S THE PAY-OFF I PROMI-SED.
TADD TADD TADD TADD
Shocking debuts make a big splash
YOUR CLUB
...IS SAFE NOW.
Sigh
...
SO, THERE YOU HAVE IT.
Relieved
Yeah, whatever! We're getting out of here while we can. Come on!
Oh! Please wait, Casta!
sneak
HANA-ZONO...?

Oh!
Yaaaay!
Yaaaay!
Yaaaay!
Thank you! Thank you!
HUH?
What are you talking about?
AND NITOU-KUN, TOO! THANKS FOR MAKING SERA-KUN GO CRAZY!
Huh?
THANK YOU, SERA-KUN! IT'S ALL BE-CAUSE OF YOU!!
HEY ...
WHAT?
step step step
I WILL TAKE THESE TWO BACK IN MY CLUB
LET US RETURN TO OUR PARA-DISE
NOW THAT YOU'VE MANAGED TO AVOID A CA-TASTROPHE ..
I THINK THAT YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S POP-ULAR.
No
YOU SURE ARE POPU-LAR
step step step step step step
What are you saying?! They originally belonged to my club!
Wait a minute! These guys are our members!
NO, IT'S YOU
NO, IT'S YOU
No! Absolutely not! As the Student Council President, I will not allow it!
But they have talent for judo! Leave them with us!
step step

WHAT?!
HUH?
IT'S YOU!
thump
thump
thump
IT FEELS LIKE HE'S ABOUT TO...
WHAT'S WITH THIS MOOD?
W-WAIT A MINUTE ...!
pounding

...CONFESS HIS LOVE FOR ME!!
thump
thump
thump
thump
thump
thump
thump
thump
thump
thump
Ack! And with me in this pose?!!
You've got to be kidding me!
I'm so happy, but wait!!
...SO GLAD...
WAIT FOR ME!!
...WE'RE FRIENDS.
I WANTED TO LOOK GREAT FOR THIS MOMENT!!
Gurrrrr!
RYOU-SLIKE...
NO!!
I'M..
HUH?
TODAY I REALIZED JUST HOW AMAZING YOU ARE.

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HUH?
WHAT?
YOU'RE ...
I MEAN, FROM ONE GUY TO ANOTHER
YOU HAVE...
MY UTMOST RESPECT.
WHAT ...?!
...REALLY COOL.
I WANNA BE A GUY JUST LIKE YOU!!
CLINCHER
ooo

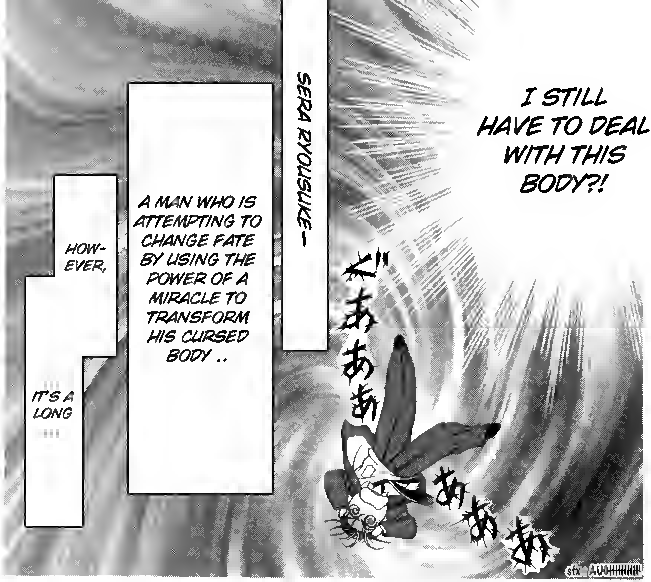
NOOOOOOO!!
That obesity makes me happy at all!!
Gimme respect for me as a guy!!
Respect!
I beg of you, my miracle fruit
No matter what it takes!!
I wanna be a girl!
TURN ME INTO A GIRL RIGHT NOW!!
CRACK
part part part
OH!
YOU'RE HOME, RYOU-CHAN!!
Ryou-suke-kun!!

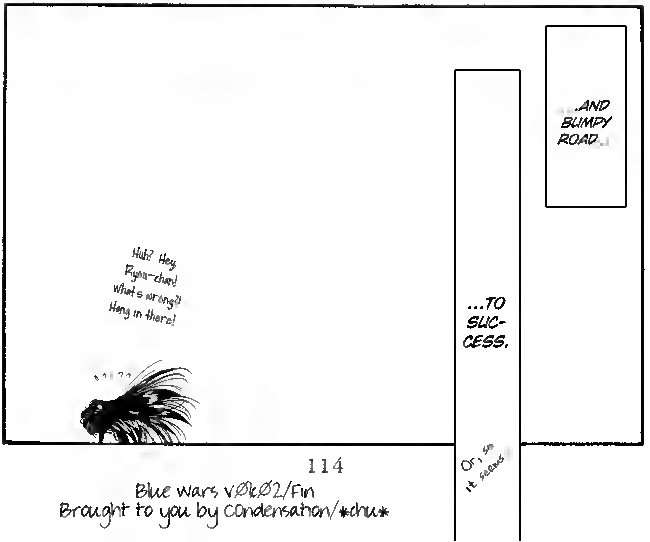
LOOK, RYOU-CHAN!
THE MIRACLE FRUIT GREW!!
HUH?
AHHHH!!
FALL
IT'S TRUE!
LOOK! RIGHT THERE!
REALLY?
No way!
SO THIS IS THE MIRACLE FRUIT THAT I'VE BEEN DREAMING ABOUT.
Oh, oh, oh...!
WHEN I EAT THIS, I'LL...
.. TURN INTO A GIRL, RIGHT?!
Yes! That's right, Ryousuke-kun!!
RYOU-CHAN!
YES! YES!
I'LL TURN INTO GUNMA'S DREAM GIRL!!

sfx : whoosh
I'M GONNA KISS THIS MANLY BODY GOODBYE AND BEGIN MY NEW LIFE AS A WOMAN!
GRAB
Ahh
Wait! You can't eat it yet!
THEN I'M GONNA EAT IT RIGHT NOW!
ALL RIGHT!
What's the matter Papa-chan?
IT LOOKS RIPE TO ME.
Just listen.
You see...
Head
Arm
Chest
Waist
Leg
The plant is shaped similarly to a human body...
And it grows fruit in relation to specific body parts.

WHA...
So
you won't be able to transform completely
until the fruit for all the body parts has grown
See how the fruit grew out of this husk?
Eventually that will happen with all of them
WHAT?!
You can't eat the fruit until then
AND WHEN...
... WILL THAT ... HAPPEN?
Ryou-chan?
I'm not sure

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
twitch
You're not sure?
Well, you got one fruit, which is for your waist.
pop
I'M THE WAISTLINE FOR GUNMA-KUN'S IDEAL GIRL. I'M 55-60 CENTIME-TERS.
So, you need seven more now
I'm sure you'll have all the fruit before you're an old man
Keep it up!
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT
It'll happen eventually
ha ha ha ha ha ha ha
Don't worry! As long as your love for Gunma-kun stays strong
clench
HA..
faints
Ah!
AFTER COMING THIS FAR...


I STILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH THIS BODY?!
SERA YOSHIKE—
A MAN WHO IS ATTEMPTING TO CHANGE FATE BY USING THE POWER OF A MIRACLE TO TRANSFORM HIS CURSED BODY ..
HOW-EVER,
IT'S A LONG ....
あああああ
GR AUUUUUUUU


...AND BUMPY ROAD...
...TO SUC-CESS.
Or so it seems
Huh? Hey Ryuu-chan! What's wrong?! Hang in there!